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Applicant(s)

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Title

Process and Apparatus for Scrubbing Sulfur Dioxide from

Flue Gas and Conversion to Fertilizer

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

I hereby certify that a Petition to Make Special - Accelerated Examination is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 and is addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on August **29**, 2001.

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §

1.102(d)

ACCELERATED EXAMINATION

Applicants hereby submits this petition to have this application granted special status pursuant to M.P.E.P. 708.02, Subpart V

As delineated in the attached declaration, Applicants' invention is entitled to special status as it materially enhances the quality of the environment of mankind by contributing to the maintenance of the basic life sustaining elements. By this Petition to Make Special, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be granted special status pursuant to M.P.E.P. 708.02, Subpart V. Applicants believe that no fees are required, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-383 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

REMARKS

Early and favorable acceptance of this petition is respectfully requested.



Respectfully submitted,

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